

Creating a Civil Appeal and documents in eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA)



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Steps for Creating a Civil Appeal

Registering for eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA)

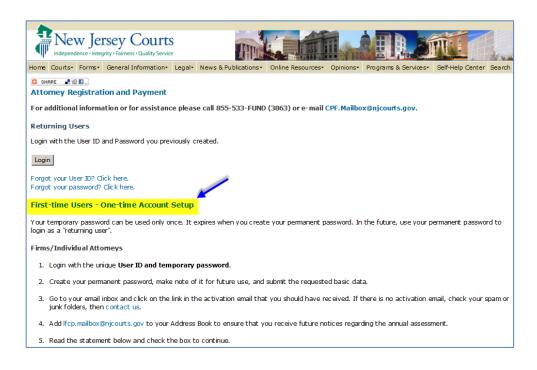
Requesting access to eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) requires three (3) steps, listed below.

1. Activating your Attorney ID

If you have never used the Attorney Registration and Contact Information online, go to Attorney Registration & Contact Information, click on Attorney Registration and Contact Information and follow the instructions for First Time Users – One Time Account Setup.

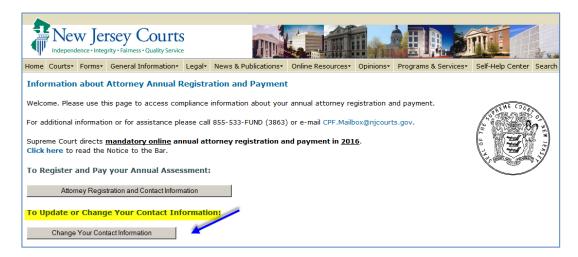
If you currently use the Online Registration and Payment Center, your Attorney ID has been activated. Proceed to step 2.





2. Verify Contact Information

Log in to Attorney Registration and Contact Information to verify your contact information. An attorney's contact information currently on file in the Central Attorney Management System (CAMS) such as phone number, firm association and mailing address will automatically be used in eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA).



3. Contact Appellate eFiling

Once you have activated your Attorney ID and verified your contact information, contact the Appellate eFiling team at 609-292-4591 or email njedatanotices@mailbox@njcourts.gov. You will need to supply your Attorney ID, firm information, and Judiciary collateral account number (JACS).

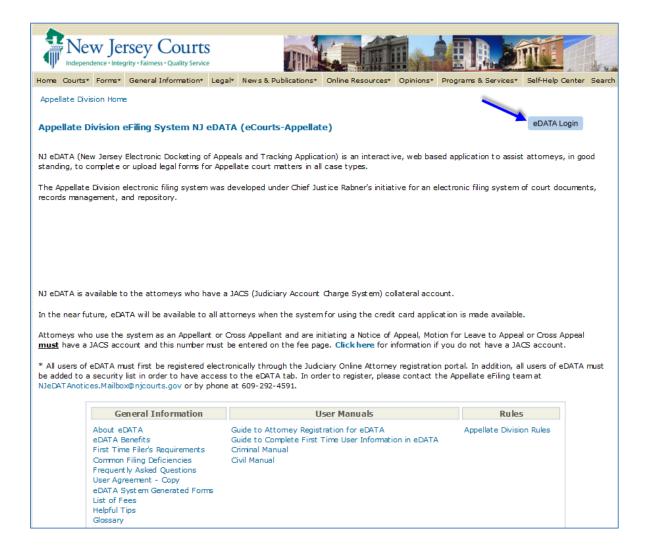
Attorneys who use the system as an Appellant or Cross Appellant and are initiating a Notice of Appeal, Motion for Leave to Appeal or Cross Appeal must have an active Judiciary collateral account or "JACS account" in order to submit your filing. If you do not have an account, click here to register for the Judiciary Account Charge System.

Registered Users Log In

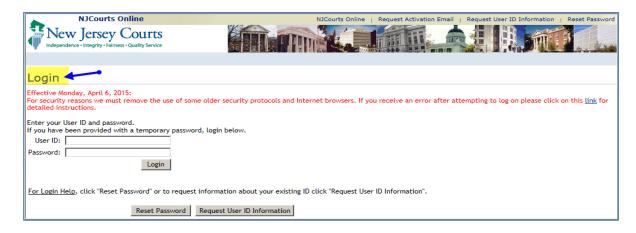
Go to njcourts.com and click on Appellate eFiling.



This is the webpage for Appellate Division eFiling System eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA), where you can find information regarding NJ eDATA. Click on the **eDATA Login** button.



Log in using filer's Bar ID (User ID) and Password.



Application Access

In order to proceed with filing an appeal in eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA), you must first verify your contact information on the NJ Courts Application under My Access.

Your phone number, firm association and mailing address will now be directly pulled from the Central Attorney Management System (CAMS). All attorneys will be required to register online. To verify your contact information, select **Update Contact Information** from My Access tab.

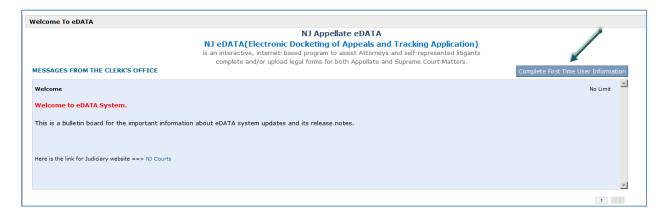


Click on the **Appellate eDATA** tab under My Access.



First Time User Information

Complete First Time User Information - This is a onetime only event.



First time User Agreement

Read the User Agreement.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ACCESS TO AND PARTICIPATION IN NEW JERSEY JUDICIARY ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS

For the purposes of Agreement, the term "application" includes the Judiciary Electronic Filing and Imaging System (JEFIS), eCourts, Appellate eFiling (NJ eDATA), Supreme Court efiling, and the Electronic Access Program (EAP) or other systems as designated by the Judiciary.

TERM/TERMINATION

Participation in New Jersey Judiciary Electronic User Applications begins immediately upon the completion of online registration and the designation of the user ID and initial password.

Where applicable, registration constitutes the user's request for, and consent to, electronic service of court-generated documents and documents filed electronically by other parties for cases that are initiated electronically.

The Judiciary may terminate this participation agreement by giving written notice to all parties. The effective date of the termination shall be seven (7) days after the other party's receipt of the notice of termination, unless participation is terminated as described below or unless a Court Rule, Administrative Directive, or other authority indicates otherwise.

Scroll down, confirm and submit the User Agreement.

It will not be a violation of this section for the participant:

- (i) to make copies of instructional or reference material solely for its own use; or
- (ii) to copy or disclose any trial court records or files that are accessible to the public pursuant to the access rules set forth herein or in the instructional or reference materials.

The participant will take all steps reasonably necessary to protect the Judiciary's rights for restricted usage and the participant will advise its employees who are provided access to the application of the restrictions upon duplication, disclosure and use.

✓ I confirm that I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the terms of the user agreement above

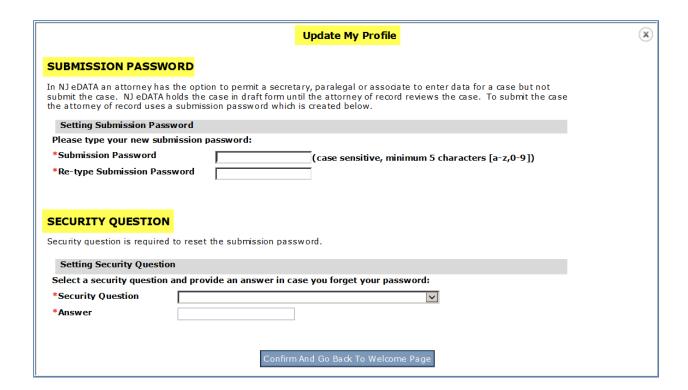
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For questions concerning the registration process or for technical problems, contact the Help Desk of the application(s) to which you have been granted access.

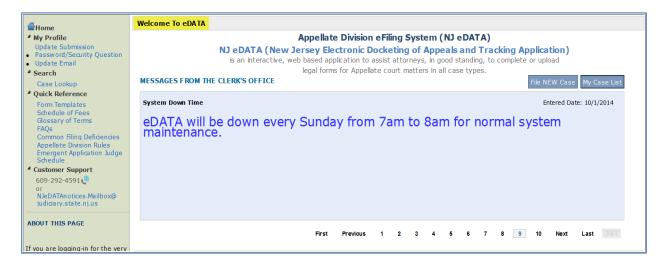
NJ eDATA User Agreement

Update My Profile

- 1. You are required to create a **Submission Password**; this can be the same as the password used for the Judiciary Single Sign On.
- Additionally, you are required to set up the Security Question and Answer, so that in the future, should you need to reset your submission password, you can do so by answering your selected Security Question.
- 3. Click Confirm and Go Back to Welcome Page.



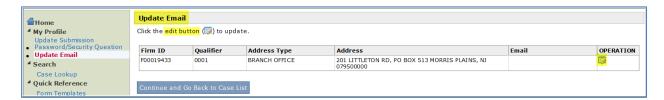
After updating your user profile, you will see the eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) Home/Welcome page. Please review all bulletins by clicking on the Next button for any updates or system down times.



Email and Address

Currently, the eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) system has an established interface with the eCourts system to pull out the attorney's emails.

In addition, it has an established interface with CAMS (Central Attorney Management System) to pull out the attorney's associated firm address.



First time filers will be required to enter an email address before you can proceed with a filing. Select Update Email and click the Edit button under operation. You can add up to 3 email addresses to receive eCourt Appellate (NJ eDATA) notifications, at least one email address must be provided.



Note: If you are currently registered for eCourts, eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) will display the email addresses you entered in the eCourts application. Be advised that any changes to the email addresses in eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) will also change the emails in the eCourts and Supreme eFiling systems.

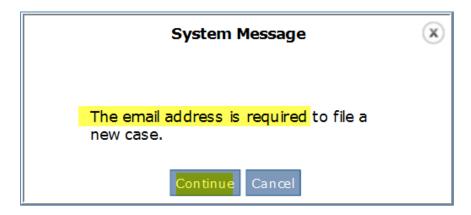
Creating an Appeal

Home/Welcome Page

On the eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) Home/Welcome page - Choose **File New Case** link or **File New Case** button - both perform the same function.



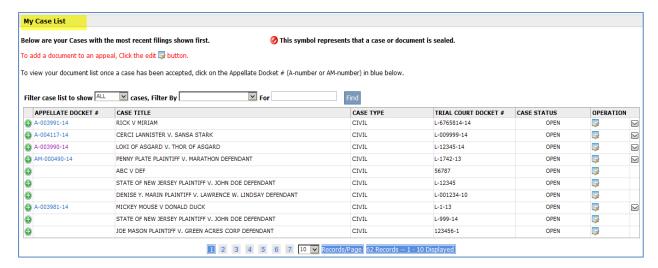
File NEW Case will display the "Case Lookup" screen, but if we do not have any emails on file, the system will return this pop-up error message.



Continue button will put you on the "Update Email" page, where you can add your emails using the Edit button under the Operation column.

To review previously filed case, click on My Case List.

- New appeals in Draft (awaiting completion) can be accessed through the edit button.
- b) Appeals with a docket number can be viewed by clicking on the docket number or edited by using the edit button.

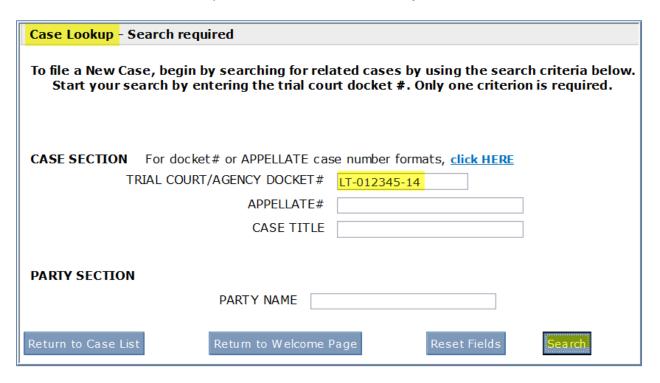


Case Lookup

To search for possible prior related cases, perform a case lookup search before proceeding.

Search by inputting a TRIAL COURT DOCKET #, click Search. Start with the lead docket # you are using to create the appeal. Additional trial court docket numbers can be searched and added later in case details screen.

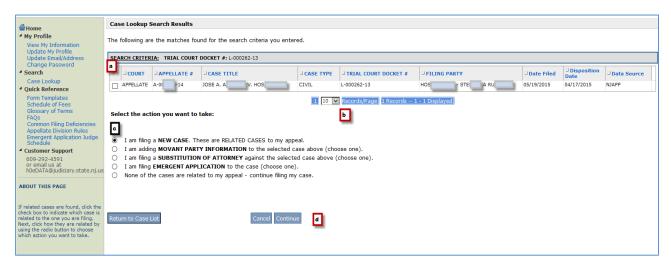
If the search result does not return any record, search by PARTY NAME, or a combination of other parameters to narrow down your search results.



Related Cases

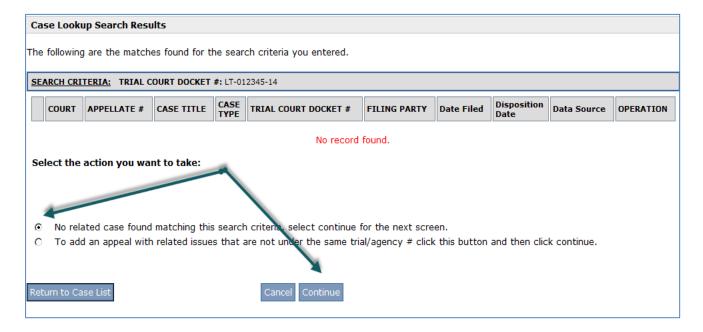
Refer to corresponding letters in diagram.

- a. Check one or several boxes if the search reveals a related case.
- b. If your search results yield more cases than fit on one page, click on the drop down arrow to increase the number of items on the page.
- c. Click one of the radio buttons to indicate a relationship or that none of the cases are related.
- d. To move to the next page click, continue.



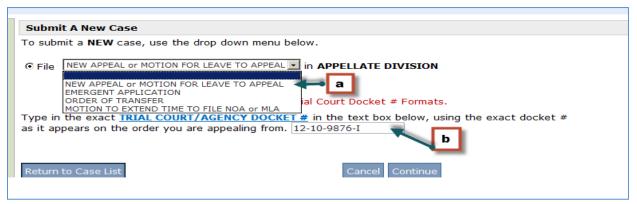
No Search Results found

If there are no records found, the system will default to the No Related Cases radio button. Click continue.



Submit a New Case

- a. Use drop down list to select the type of filing you are creating, for example NEW APPEAL or MOTION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL and click Continue.
- b. If you searched by name, fill in trial court docket number from the order you are appealing. If you previously searched by docket #, the trial court number is pre-filled. The docket number should appear exactly as it does on the order.



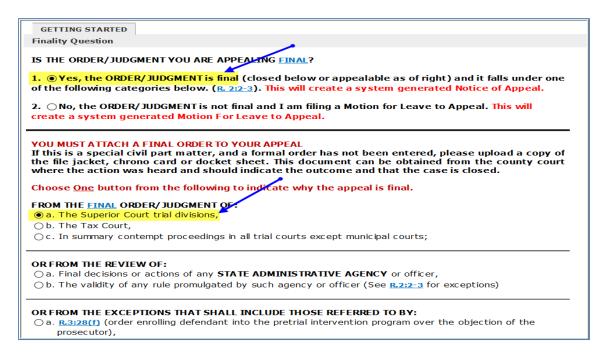
Finality

Is the order you are appealing from FINAL?

1. IF **Yes**, the system will create a Notice of Appeal (NOA). Then select where judgment originated.

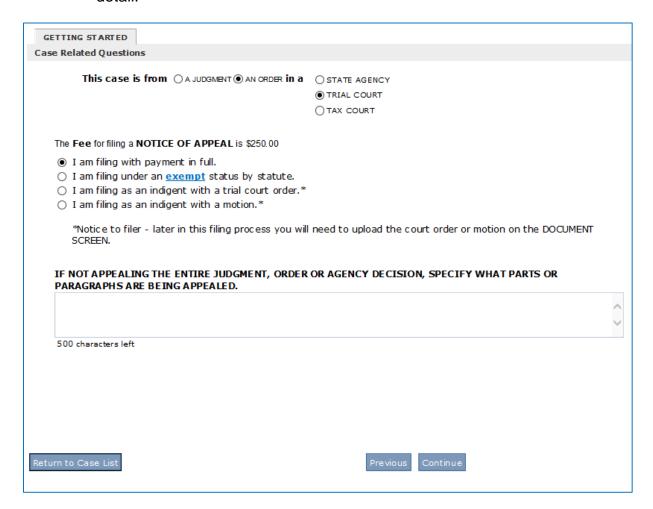
OR

2. If **No**, the system will create a Motion for Leave to Appeal (MLA). Then select where the order originated.



Case Related Questions

- a. Choose Judgment or Order.
- b. TRIAL COURT is preselected from previous radio button selection to the finality question.
- c. Choose a fee type. You must have a JACS charge account to file.
- d. If not appealing entire judgment, use this box to specify those portions in detail.

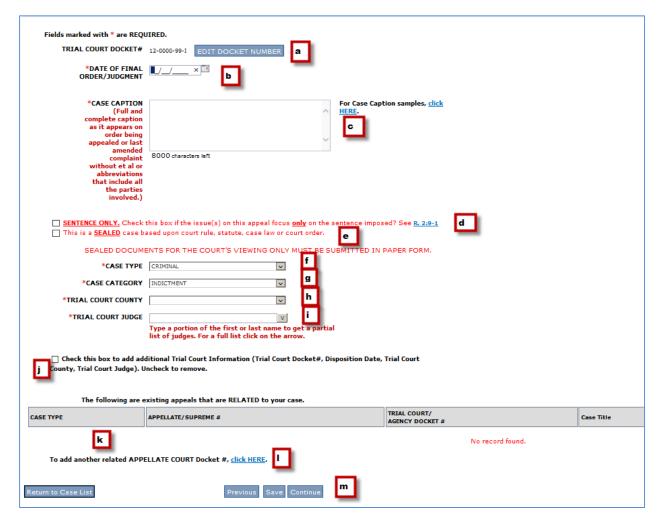


Case Details Page

This covers the creation of the front page of the Notice of Appeal.

- a. TRIAL COURT DOCKET# Edit your trial court number if it is incorrect the full number including the letter prefix and any zeros is required.
- b. DATE OF FINAL ORDER Use the calendar feature or type in the date you are appealing which is found on the trial court order.
- c. CASE CAPTION Fill in the full and complete caption as it appears on the order in the format shown below, do not type as one line of text.
- d. SENTENCE ONLY check this box for criminal appeals if the only issue is sentencing.

- e. SEALED Click on the check box for SEALED if the matter is sealed to the public.
- f. CASE TYPE is prefilled for Civil or Family or State Agency based upon the trial court docket number. If this is not correct, change it through the drop down menu
- g. CASE CATEGORY can be changed. Use the drop down to do so.
- h. TRIAL COURT COUNTY Use the drop down menu for the county.
- TRIAL COURT JUDGE Type in 4 or 5 letters of the trial court judge's first or last name to get a shortlist, double click on the judge you need.
- Use this check box to add additional trial court docket numbers, i.e., a consolidated case.
- k. Related appeals show here if you selected cases in the initial search.
- I. Add related cases if they did not appear in the search or you didn't find them.
- m. Save or Continue Save if you need to find other information. Continue if you are finished.

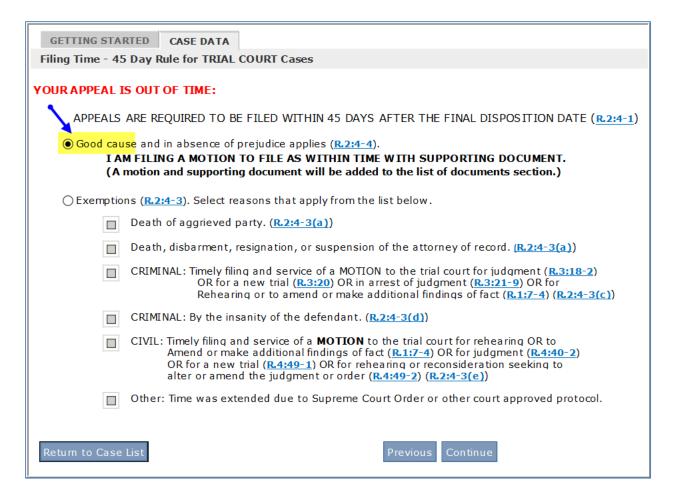


Filing Time

If the appeal is filed after 45 days, a required Notice of Motion form will be system generated and will be automatically inserted in the List of Documents section on a later screen.

Unless the case falls under one of the exceptions below, you will check the radio button indicating that good cause applies and that a motion to file As Within Time is being filed.

* PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FILING TIME OF 45 DAYS IS STRICTLY ENFORCED. THE COUNTING OF 45 DAYS INCLUDES WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS.



Transcript Verification

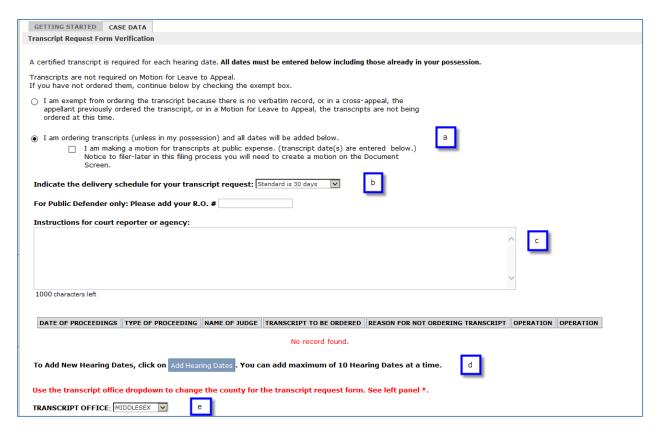
All transcript dates are entered either showing they are ordered or in your possession. The verification form is automatically sent to the county transcript office. You will be contacted by the transcription agency for payment.

- a. Select if you are ordering transcripts or not
- b. Check the delivery schedule by using the drop down → Standard, expedited or daily.



c. Provide instructions to the court reporter for certain portions of the transcript if necessary.

- d. Click Add Hearing Date button to enter specific dates.
- e. Transcript office is prefilled for the trial courts based upon earlier data. If you need to order a transcript from a different county, complete and submit the appeal and then go back and add a new request by editing your case.



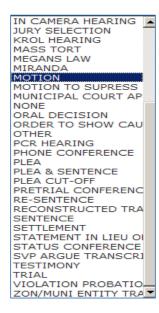
Add New Hearing Date



a. Click on the calendar to select date of proceeding.



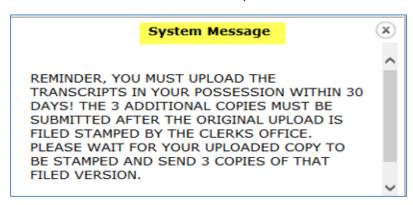
b. Use the drop down for proceeding type.



- c. Name of Judge is prefilled from case details but can be changed by clicking on the drop down arrow.
- d. Check box if transcripts are to be ordered.
- f. If transcript is not to be ordered, use the drop down to indicate the reason why not.
- g. Plus + sign to add additional dates. Click save after 10 dates and then click Add Hearing date again for more entries.

Transcripts in Attorney Possession

When you indicate that transcripts are in attorney possession, the system displays a popup after the List of Documents page to remind you that transcripts must be uploaded within 30 days and the 3 additional copies submitted must be the filed stamped version of the original upload. Therefore, you will need to wait for your uploaded copy to be filed stamped by the Clerk's office and forward 3 copies of the same.

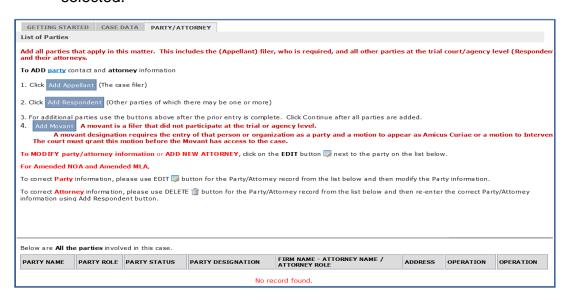


List of Parties

Use the buttons to add the parties to the appeal.

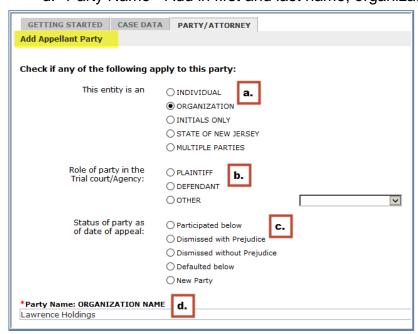
1st Click **ADD APPELLANT** button and fill in the information required, your client name, etc.

2nd Return to List of Parties and click **ADD RESPONDENT** button - the AG is prefilled on some State Agency appeals if the appropriate State Agency was selected.



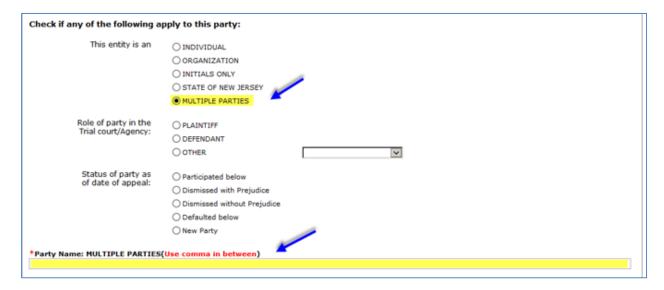
Appellant - Party Information

- a. Entity Click on INDIVIDUAL, ORGANIZATION, INITIALS or MULTIPLE PARTIES.
- b. Role of Party Click DEFENDANT OR PLAINTIFF OR OTHER.
- c. Status of Party Click Participated below if they did or any of the other options.
- d. Party Name Add in first and last name, organization or initials.



Multiple Parties

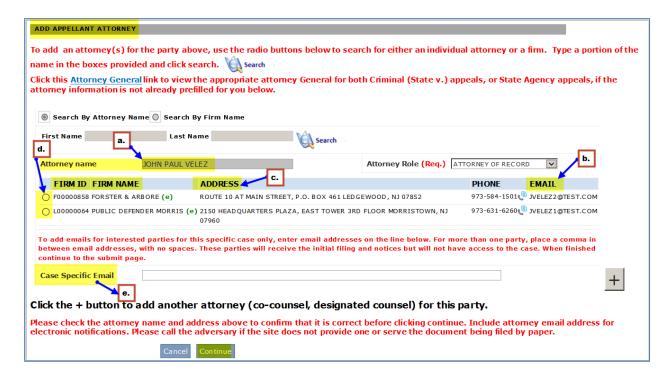
The Multiple Parties option has been added for those attorneys that are representing multiple parties within the case <u>and</u> will be filing **ONE** brief for all parties. The field has a 200-character limit and commas must be used to separate party names. If you have more parties than 200 characters then use et al., your brief will reflect the additional parties that you represent. When viewing the names, the line doesn't display all that you typed but in reviewing the appeal you will see the parties listed.



Appellant - Attorney Information

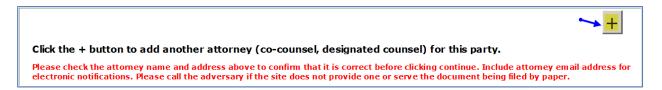
- a. Attorney Name is prefilled based on your login and Bar ID #.
- Currently the system interfaces with the eCourts system to pull out the attorney's emails.
- c. eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) also interfaces with **CAMS** (Central Attorney Management System) for the attorney's associated firm address.
- d. If the attorney is associated with multiple firms in CAMS, a list of the firms will display in this section and the filer is required to select the correct firm address in order to proceed with the filing.
- e. Case Specific Email → To add emails for interested parties for this specific case only, enter email addresses in this field. These parties will receive the initial filing and notices but will not have access to the case.

When finished, click Continue to proceed to add the respondent.

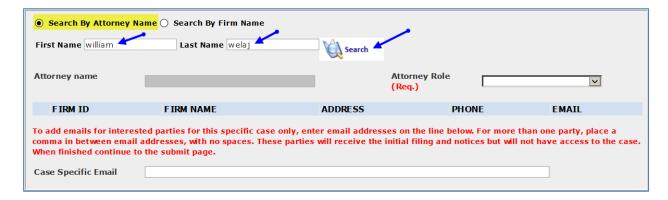


CO-COUNSEL

To add another attorney as co-counsel, click the plus sign at the right hand corner on the bottom of the page.



Type in Co-Counsel's name and click Search.



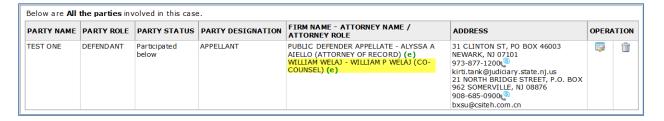
Double Click on the attorney to enter data into the fields.



Select the attorney role from the drop down menu and click continue. If the attorney is not registered with eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) or has not updated their email in their profile, you are required to enter their email address in the case specific email field.



The list of parties now shows the co-counsel.

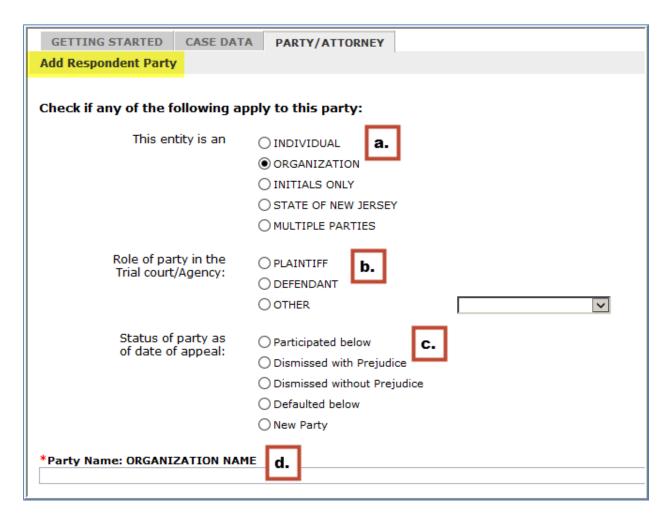


Click on the Add Respondent button to proceed.



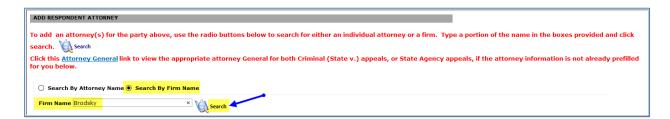
Respondent - Party Information

- a. Entity Click on INDIVIDUAL, ORGANIZATION, INITIALS or MULTIPLE PARTIES.
- b. Role of Party Click DEFENDANT OR PLAINTIFF OR OTHER.
- Status of Party Click Participated below if they did or any of the other options.
- d. Party Name Add in first and last name or organization name or initials combined (KMC).



Respondent - Attorney Information

Search for the attorney using either the Search by Attorney Name or Search by firm name buttons.



Double click on the firm that applies.



Double click on the individual attorney within the firm.

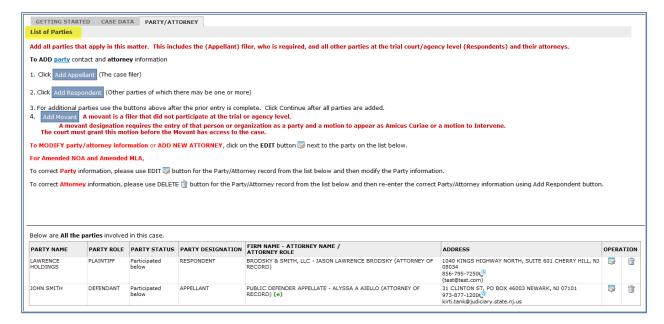


Attorney information is prefilled based upon selections above. If the attorney is not registered with eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) or has not updated their email in their profile, you are required to enter their email address in the case specific email field.



List of Parties

The list displays the parties already added. To add additional parties, click the Add Appellant or Add Respondent buttons again. To edit, click the edit button. If complete, click continue.



List of Documents

Documents listed on this page are required to file your appeal.

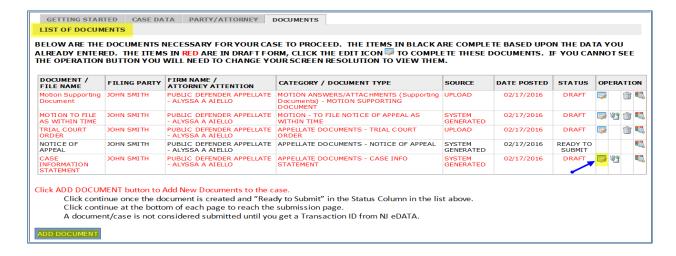
Documents in **black** have been system generated/created by the data previously entered.

Documents in red are in Draft form and need additional information.

Click on the edit button to complete a document that is in Draft form.

Click on Add New Documents button if you want to add additional documents to the filing.

When documents are complete the status will reflect ready to submit.



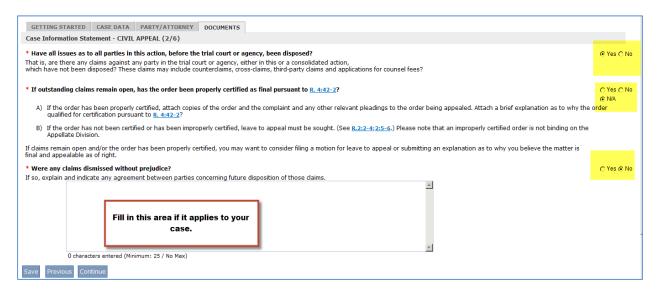
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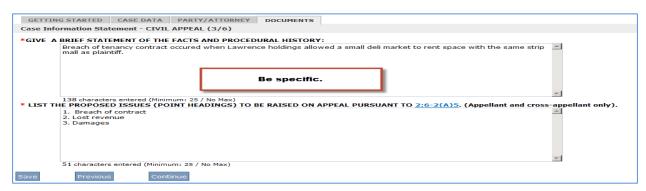
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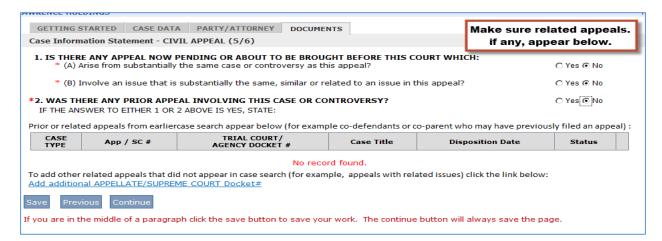
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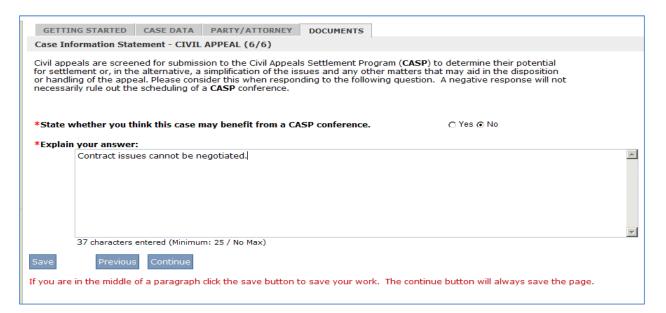
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GETTING STARTED CASE DATA PARTY/ATTORNEY DOCUMENTS	
Case Information Statement - CIVIL APPEAL (4/6)	
IF YOU ARE APPEALING FROM A JUDGMENT ENTERED BY A TRIAL JUDGE SITTING WITHOUT A JURY OR FROM AN ORDER OF THE TRIAL COURT, COMPLETE	E THE FOLLOWING:
* 1. Did the trial judge issue oral findings or an opinion? If so, on what date?	C Yes € No
* 2. Did the trial judge issue written findings or an opinion? If so, on what date?	C Yes No
* 3. Will the trial judge be filing a statement or an opinion pursuant to $\frac{R.2:5-1(b)}{2}$?	C Yes C No € UNKNOWN
Caution: Before you indicate that there was neither findings nor an opinion, you should inquire of the trial judge to determine whether findings or an opinion was placed on the record out of counsel's presence or whether the judge is filing a statement or opinion pursuant to R-2:5-1(b). DATE OF YOUR INQUIRY (MM/DD/YYYY)	
* Is the validity of a statute, regulation, executive order, franchise or constitutional provision of this State being questioned? (R.2:5-1(h))	C Yes No
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If you are in the middle of a paragraph click the save button to save your work. The continue button will always save the page.	

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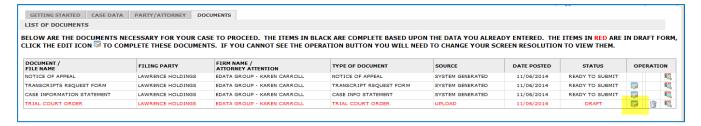


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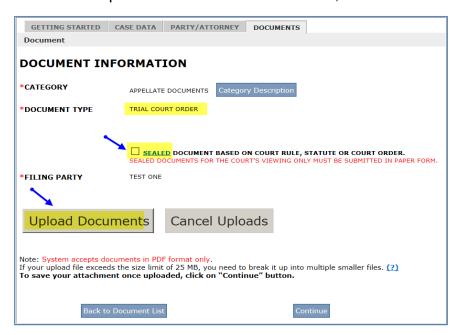


Uploading Trial Court Order

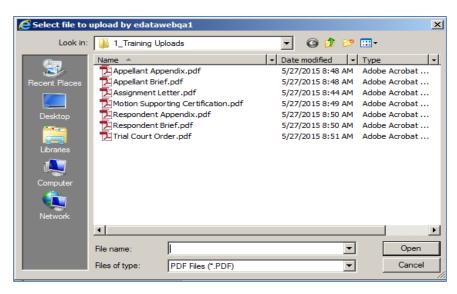
Click on the edit button to upload the trial court order that was scanned into your machine's documents.



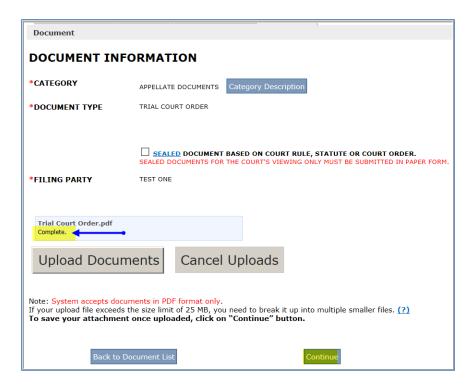
Click upload. If the document is sealed, click the sealed check box.



Double click on the order.



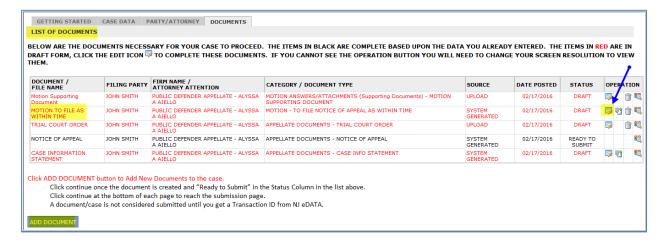
Click continue when the upload is complete.



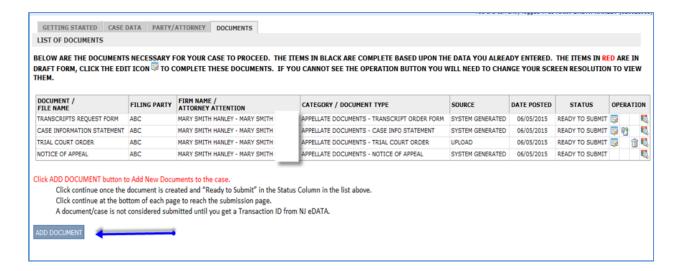
Motion Creation

List of Documents

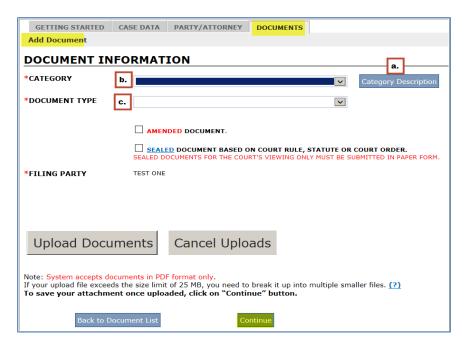
If a motion is necessary, the system will add it to the list of documents (i.e., case is out of time). Click on the edit button to continue with the system generated motion, otherwise you can also add a motion by clicking on the Add Document button.



To add a motion, click on the Add Document button.



Use the drop downs to select the appropriate motion type.

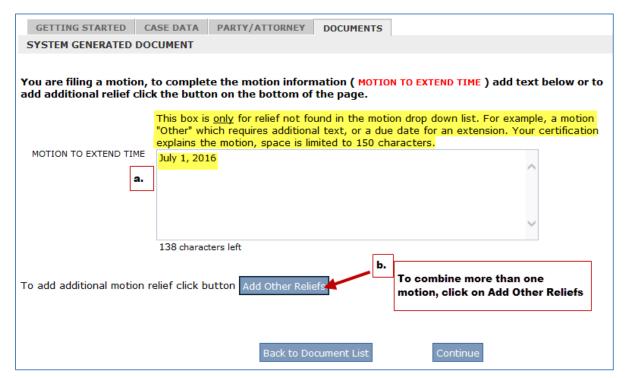


- a. Category Description Explains which Document Type belongs to which Category
- b. Category Select Motion from the drop down.
- c. Document Type Select the type of motion.

Click the Continue button and a system generated Notice of Motion will be created.

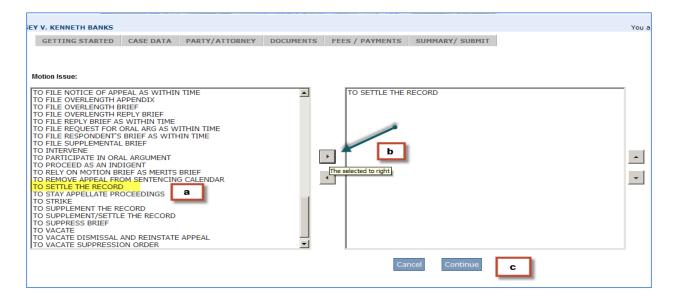
Motion Text

- a. Add additional wording <u>only</u> if relief is not found in the motion drop down list. For example, a motion "other" or a due date for an extension. Be Brief.
- b. Click Add Other Reliefs to combine more than one motion.



Adding Additional Relief

- a. Click to highlight a motion type from the list.
- b. Click the arrow to move it to the motion issue box.
- c. Click continue.



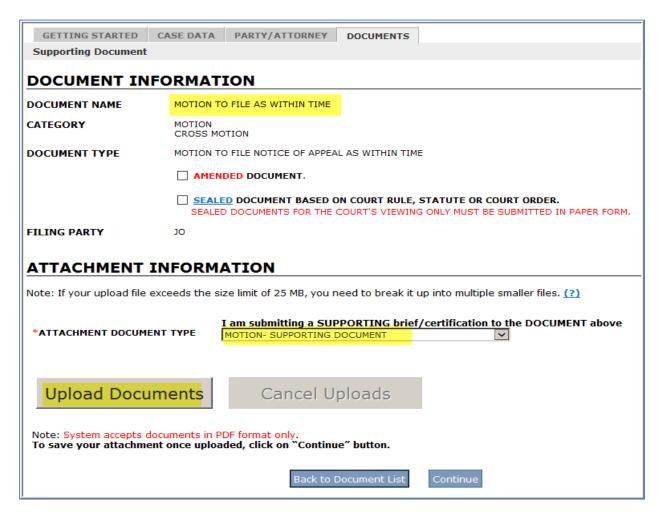
Motion supporting document

Upload Supporting Document

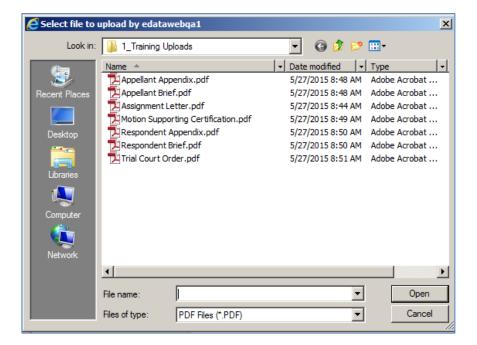
The motion requires supporting documentation, click the Edit button properties to upload.



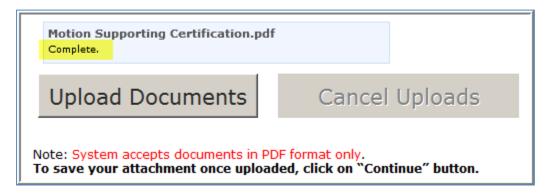
Click on Upload Documents.



Go to the location of the file on your machine and double click the document. All uploaded documents must be in .pdf format.

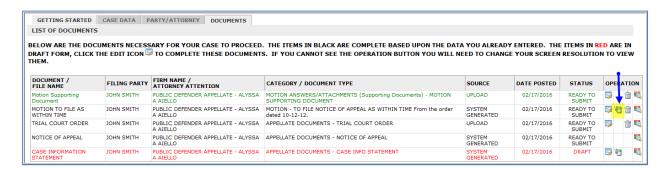


Upload is complete when the blue box indicating complete appears. If internet connection is slow wait for it to complete, do not cancel.



Adding Additional Attachments to Motion

Select the attachment button on the far right under operations.



Use the drop down and then upload your additional document.



List of Documents

All required documents for the appeal are now complete either by system generation or by upload.

- a. To view, click on the Operation view button to see each document individually, or view all the documents at the same time from the summary screen. Make sure they are correct at this time.
- b. To add an additional document, use the **ADD DOCUMENT** button.



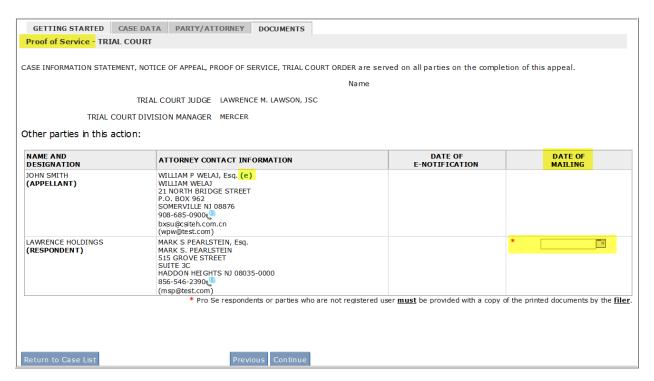
Proof of Service

The system will serve the adversary if they are a registered eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) user. They will receive the link to these documents electronically.

IF the adversary is **NOT** a registered user, the Date of Mailing filed is a required and the party <u>must</u> be served by paper. The system generated Proof of Service will reflect both the email address for electronic notification and the date of mailing if applicable.

The system will automatically serve the trial court judge and, the division manager or state agency. If transcripts have been ordered, the transcript request form will automatically be sent to the transcript office; they will contact the requester directly with the applicable amount due.

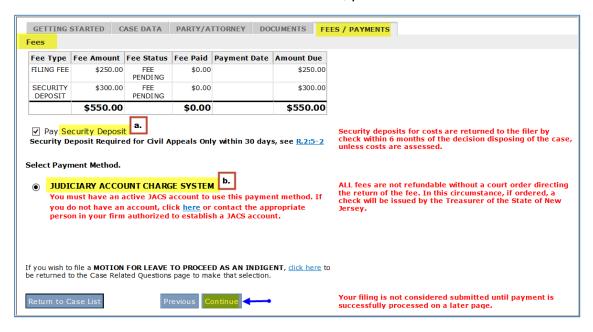
eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) displays an (e) next to the firm name on the Update Party page and by the attorney's name on the List of Parties, Proof of Service and Case Summary pages to denote registered eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) users. If you do not see an (e) you must serve the other party in paper.



Fees

Unless the filer has exempt status, a Judiciary charge account is required for applicable filing fees.

- a. To add the security deposit, check the box for Pay Security Deposit. This will add the additional \$300.00 security deposit fee.
- b. Select the Judiciary Account Charge System radio button. Your JACS account number will be entered later, prior to submission. Click Continue.



Case Summary Page

Use the **CLICK HERE** link to view and/or print all the documents. To view individual document, use the view icon on the far right.

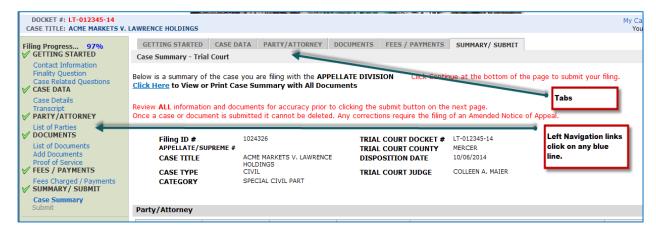
MAKE SURE THE DOCUMENTS ARE CORRECT BEFORE SUBMISSION.
ALL DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED ARE A PART OF THE RECORD. DEFICIENT
DOCUMENTS CANNOT BE REMOVED UNLESS THEY WOULD CAUSE
IRREPARABLE HARM. ANY CORRECTIONS WOULD REQUIRE THE FILING
OF AN AMENDED DOCUMENT. TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY
CORRECTIONS, REFER TO THE NEXT SECTION FOR RETURNING TO A
PRIOR PAGE.



Returning to a Prior Page

If corrections are required and you have <u>not</u> submitted your filing, you can return to prior sections by clicking on the tabs at the top or on the links in the green left navigation bar to edit. Select the Edit icon under Operation.

If you have already submitted your filing and received a filing transaction ID number, you will <u>not</u> be able to go back edit information.

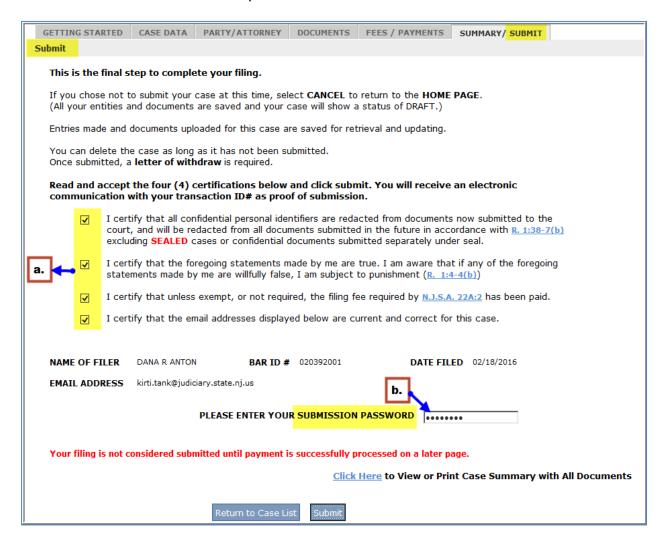




Submit

Filer Name, Bar ID #, Date Filed and Email address are prefilled on this screen.

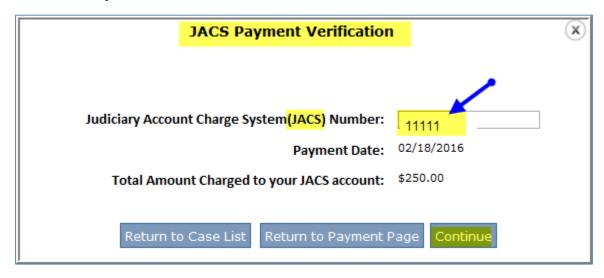
- a. Read each certification and check the boxes.
- Enter the Submission password and click Submit.



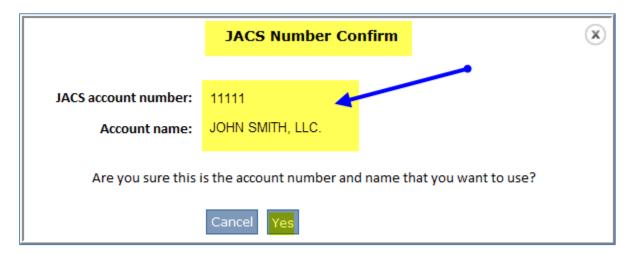
JACS Payment Screens

Unless the filer has exempt status, they have to pay the fees at the time of filing. The filing is not considered submitted until payment is successfully processed here, on the JACS Payment screen.

Enter your JACS account number and click Continue.

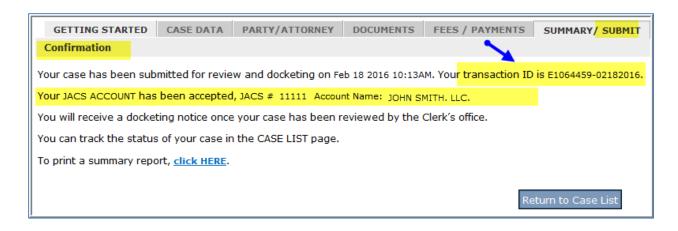


System will confirm the JACS account number and the Account Name. Click Yes if correct.



Confirmation

If the filer used a JACS account for filing fees, clicking Yes will submit your filing and create a Transaction ID. If the filer is exempt, after clicking Submit on the Submit page, you receive a Transaction ID number.



Email

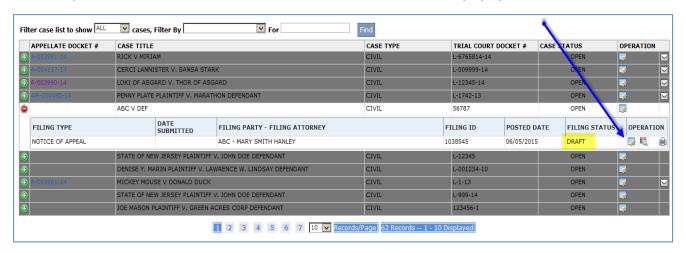
Following any case activity, an email notification with a brief description is sent to all valid email addresses in the case. To view specifics, you will need to log in to eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA).

Examples:

- 1. eDATA-Submission: A case or document submitted by the filer.
- 2. eDATA-Communication: Communication form either a filer or the court.
- eDATA-Notification: A document from the court.

Updating a Draft Filing

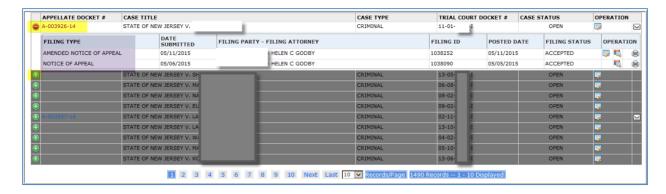
A draft filing is any case or document that has not been submitted to the court. To complete a case or document in draft status, click the edit button under Operation and then the Edit Draft button in the Edit Draft popup.





Viewing documents in a Case

From "My Case List" page, click on sign or click on the docket number link to view filings in a case that has been accepted.



Click on the docket number to see full docket information. Click on the document link to view actual documents.

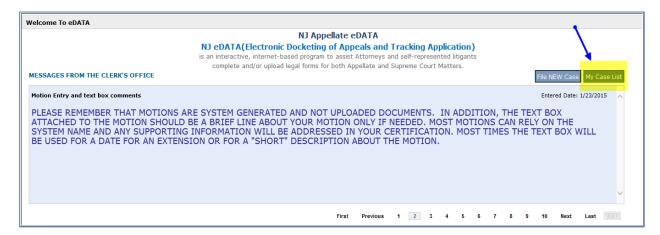


Amending an Appeal

If you receive notification that your appeal is deficient due to an error in the case data or details, you will need to amend the Notice of Appeal.

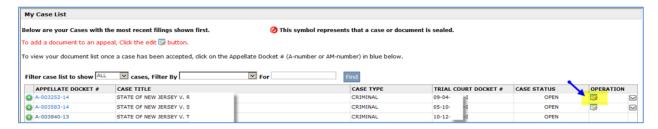
Log in to eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA)

Click on My Case List button.



Select Case to Edit

Click edit button by the case for which you want to add the Amended NOA.

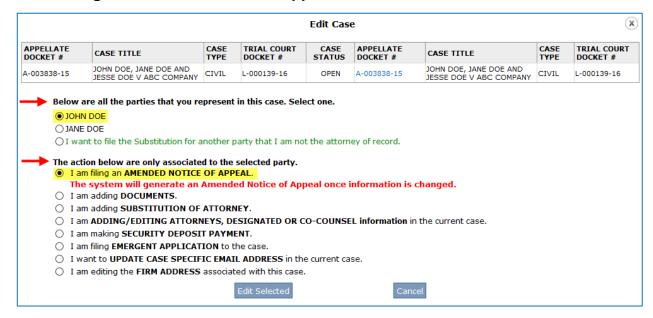


Select the Filing Type

Click on the radio button for I am filing an AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL. Click Edit Selected.



If you represent multiple parties, the system will allow you to select only one party name. If the document you are filing applies to both parties, select the radio button for the lead party (the first party entered) in the case. Select I am filing an Amended Notice of Appeal and click Edit Selected.

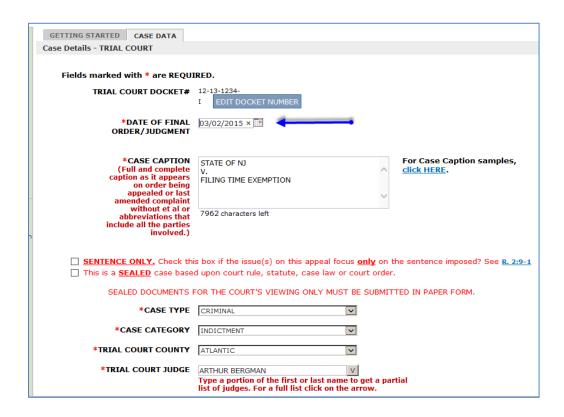


Explain Reason for Amended Appeal



Editing Case Data

Edit any information on this screen if applicable.



Editing Party Information

If the case caption has been edited on the Case Details page, it may be necessary to edit your party name. Use the edit button by your party to make any necessary changes. Click Continue.

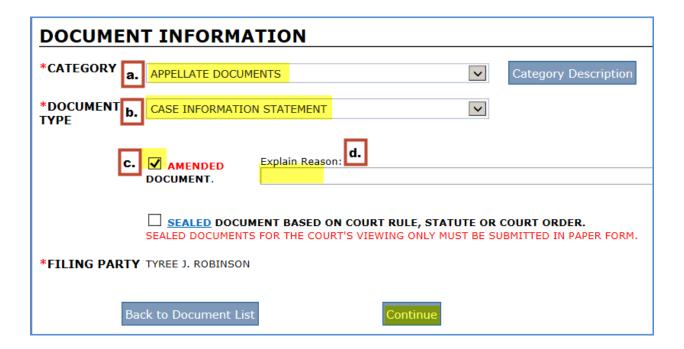


Amended Case Information Statement

Any changes made to the case details and/or party names require an amended CIS. To file an amended CIS, on the Documents page, click the Add Document button.



- a. Category select Appellate Documents.
- b. Document Type select Case Information Statement.
- c. Check the Amended Box.
- d. Explain the reason and click Continue.



Editing Details within the Case Information Statement

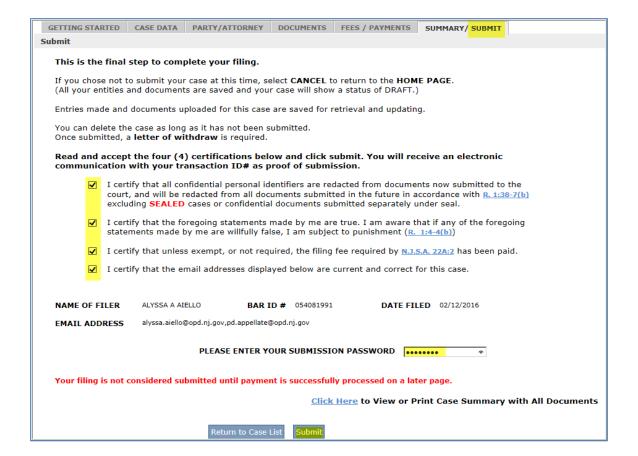
For any change in case data, details in the CIS document may change. Change the details if necessary here.



Edit each page of the CIS if necessary. For changes in the Party name you may not need to edit the text of the CIS but you will need to amend it so that the party information is correct. You will need to continue through every page of the CIS regardless if changes are made.

Submit Documents

You will click through several more pages to get to the submit page. Click all the certification boxes, type your submission password and click submit. A Transaction ID will be generated and a confirmation of the submission will be transmitted along with an email.



Filing a Motion on Pending Case

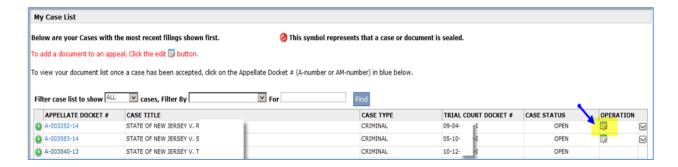
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Click on My Case List button.



Select Case to Edit

Click on Edit button by the case for which you want to add the motion.

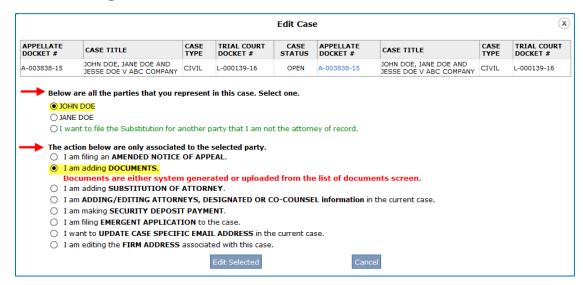


Select the Filing Type

Click the radio button for I am adding DOCUMENTS. Click Edit Selected.

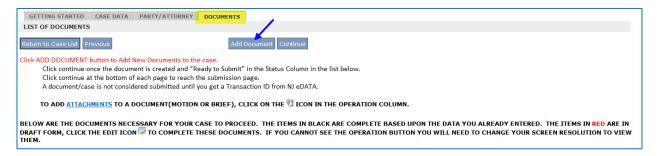


If you represent multiple parties, the system will allow you to select only one party name. If the document you are filing applies to both parties, select the radio button for the lead party (the first party entered) in the case. Select **I am adding documents** and click Edit Selected.



Add Document

On the list of documents page, click on the ADD DOCUMENT button to add your motion.

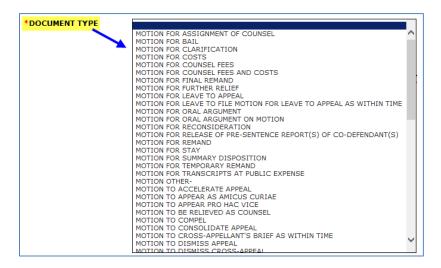


Document Information

- a. CATEGORY select Motion.
- b. DOCUMENT TYPE select the applicable motion type from the dropdown list (see figure 2).
- c. Click Continue.

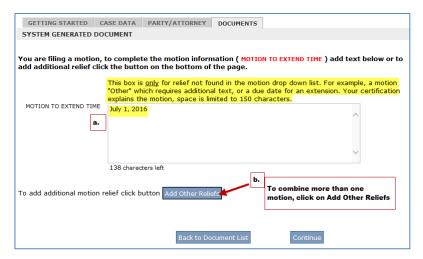


Figure 2: Motion Document Type



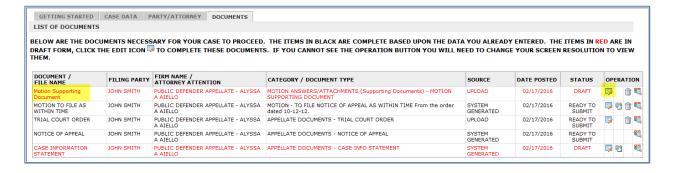
Motion Text

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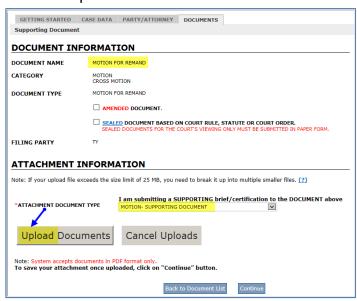


Upload Supporting Document

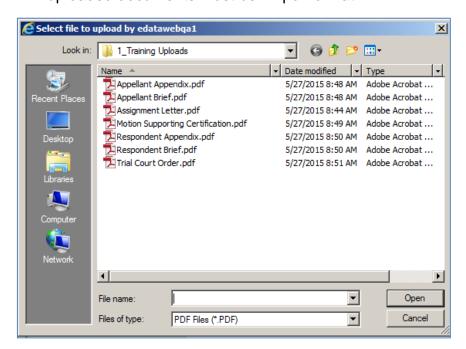
The motion requires supporting documentation, click the Edit button 😺 to upload.



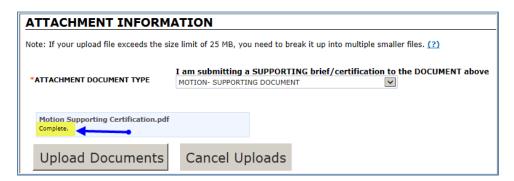
Click Upload Documents.



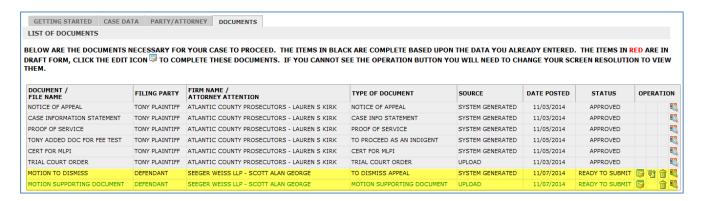
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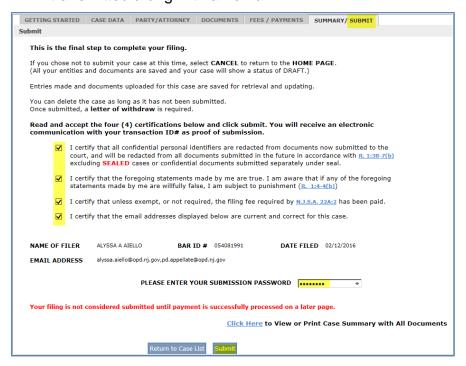
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Return to List of Documents to add additional documents or click Continue if done. Items that are complete and ready for submission indicate the same in the status column.



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Transcripts

Filing Transcripts

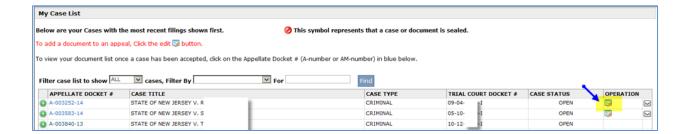
Transcripts that are ordered with the notice of appeal through a transcript request form are submitted to the court by the court reporter, or transcription agency through a CD. Transcripts are then uploaded to the Appellate case management system by the Clerk's office and synched to eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA). You will receive a paper copy of the transcript from the court reporter or agency. Please do not submit the three additional transcript copies until you receive your scheduling order. Your adversary will have access to the transcripts through eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA).

If transcripts are in your possession and you do not have a CD, please call the court reporter who prepared your transcript and request a copy on CD. Send the CD to your Appellate division case manager. If no CD is available, scan and upload the transcript to the case.

Ordering Transcripts After Appeal is Submitted

Select Case to Edit

Click on Edit button by the case for which you want to order transcripts.

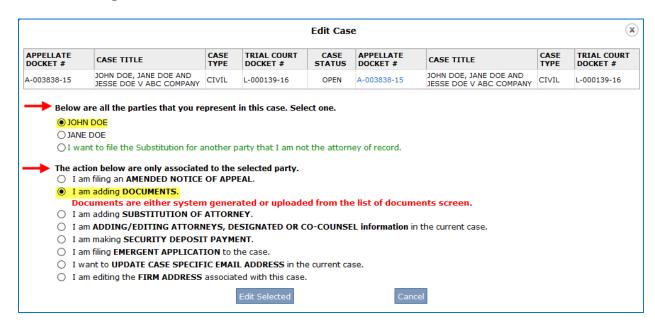


Select the Filing Type

Click the radio button for I am adding DOCUMENTS. Click Edit Selected.



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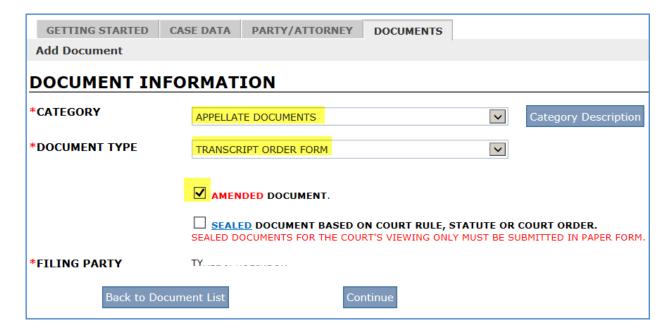
Add Document

On the list of documents page, click on the ADD DOCUMENT button to add your transcript order form.



Document Information

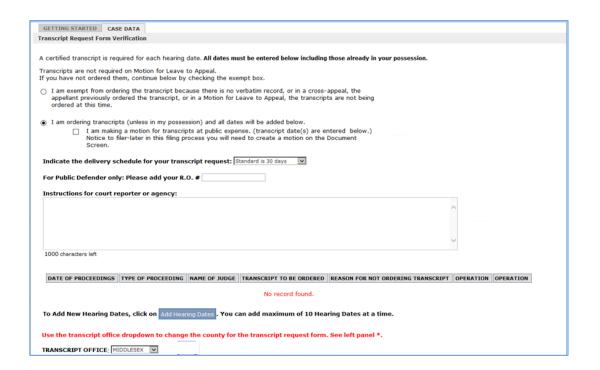
- a. CATEGORY select Appellate Documents.
- b. DOCUMENT TYPE select Transcript Order Form.
- IF filing an Amended Transcript Order Form, check the Amended box and complete reason for amending.
- d. Click Continue.



Transcript Request Form Verification

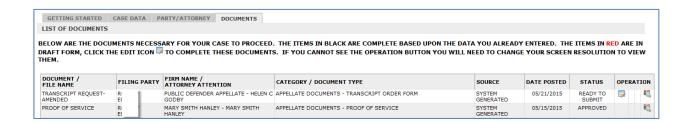
Fill in the appropriate information on the Transcript Request Form Verification page. If you need to amend the county, do so using the county drop down.

Click on Add Hearing Dates button and fill out Date of Proceeding, Type of Proceeding and check the box for Transcript to be ordered. Click Save.





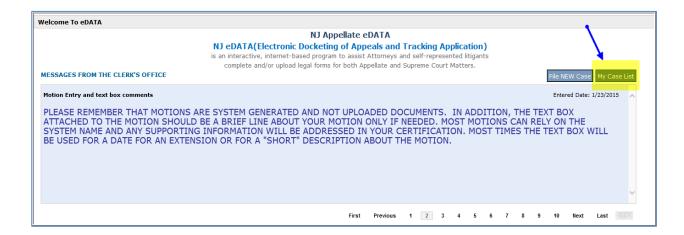
The transcript request form now shows ready to submit on the List of Documents page, click Continue through to the submission page.



Filing Briefs

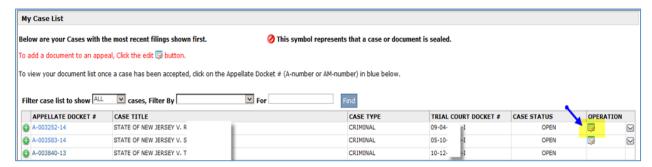
Log in to eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA)

Click on My Case List button.



Select Case to Edit

Click on Edit button by the case for which you want to add the motion.

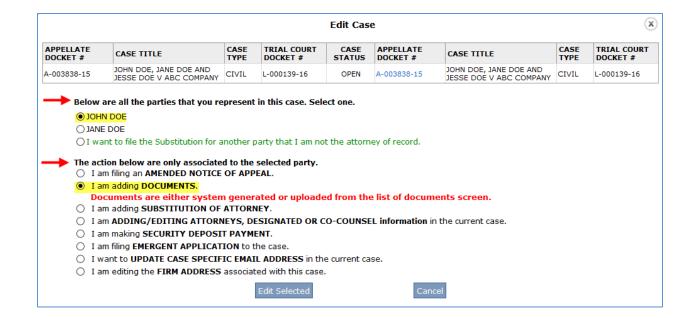


Select the Filing Type

Click the radio button for I am adding DOCUMENTS. Click Edit Selected.

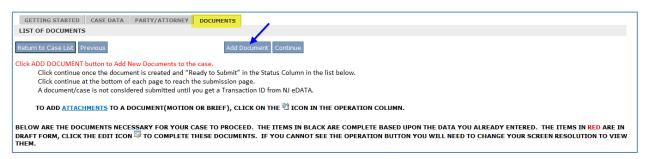


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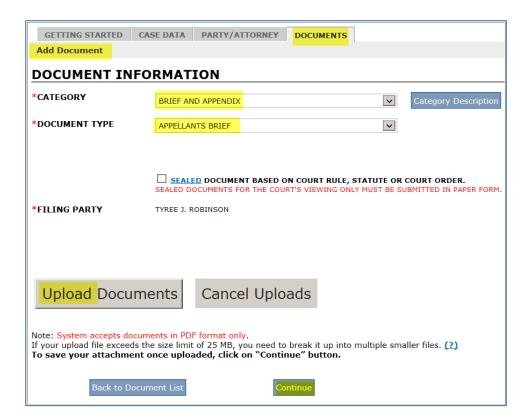
Add Document

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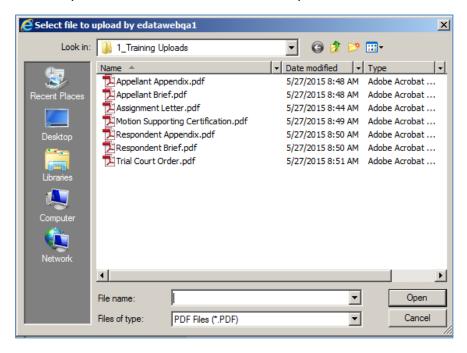
Document Information

- a. CATEGORY select Brief and Appendix.
- b. DOCUMENT TYPE select the Appellants Brief or Respondents Brief, which ever applies. If combined, select Brief and Appendix It is suggested that you file your brief and appendix as separate documents. That way if there is a typo in a brief you won't have to rescan the appendix if they were previously combined.
- c. Click Upload Documents.

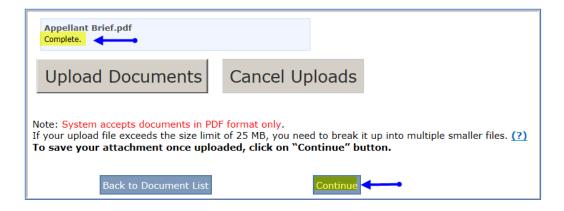


Upload Documents

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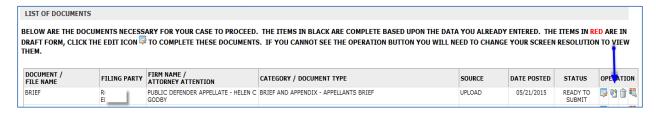


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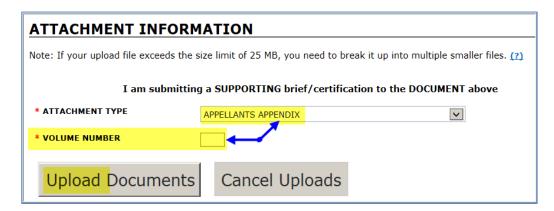


Adding Appendices

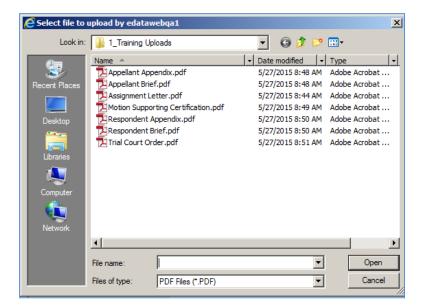
To add an appendix that is separate from the brief, click the attachment link next to the brief that was just uploaded on the List of Documents.



Select the attachment type from the drop down and click upload. When uploading an appendix to the case, you are required to add a volume number.



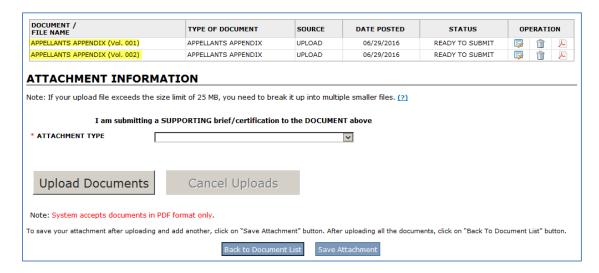
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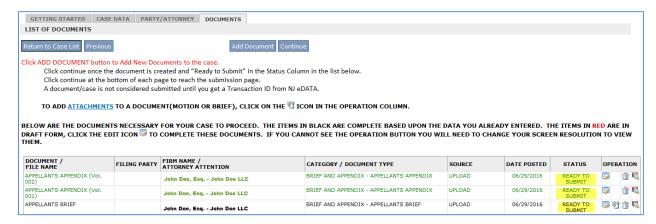
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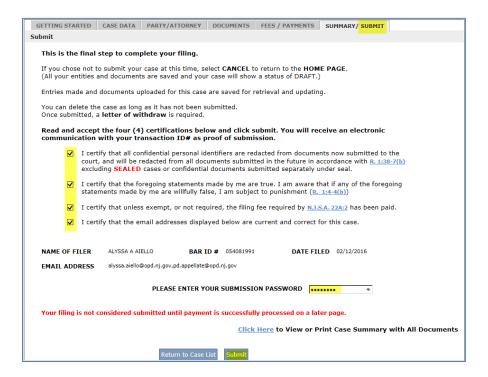
Repeat these steps to add additional appendices. When done, click Back to Document List then click Continue.



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Brief Copies

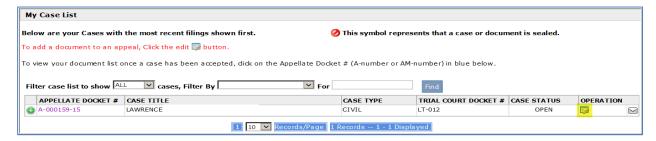
Once the brief is reviewed, the case manager will either approve the document or advise of a deficiency. Once approved, a filed stamp is applied. This is when you will print out a filed copy to provide the court with three additional sets.

Adding Designated Counsel/Co-Counsel/Consolidated Attorney

Designated Counsel or Co-Counsel are entered by the attorney of record where the original attorney remains in the case but is adding a second or third attorney to the party they represent.

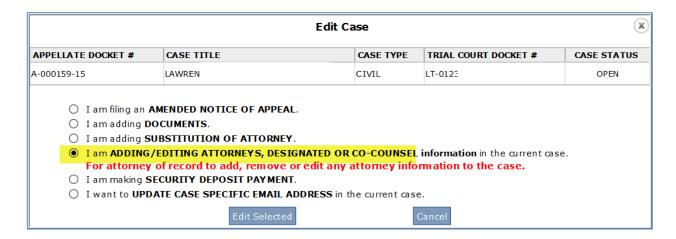
Use this when you want to add another attorney from your firm or an outside firm as co-counsel. This will give that attorney access to the case but the filer will remain the attorney of record.

Click on edit button so of the case you want to enter the designated counsel.

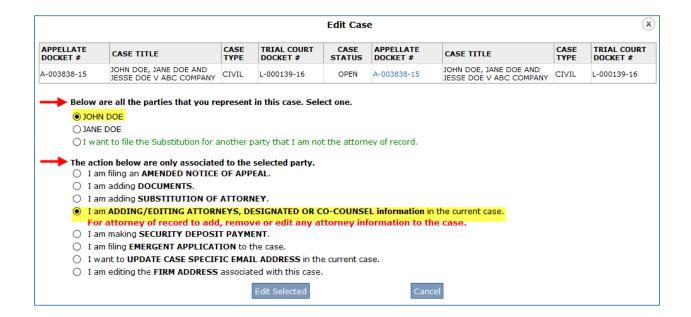


Select Filing Type

Click on the radio button I am ADDING/EDITING ATTORNEYS, DESIGNATED OR CO-COUNSEL information in the Case. Then click Edit Selected.

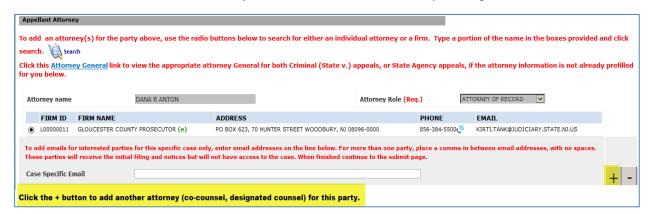


If you represent multiple parties, the system will allow you to select only one party name. To add designated or co-counsel you will need to submit a filing for each individual party. Select I am Adding/Editing Attorneys, Designated or Co-Counsel and click Edit Selected.

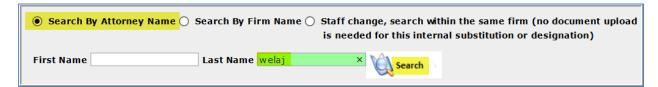


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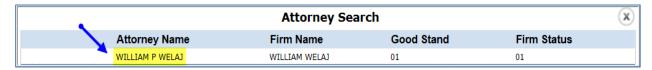
Scroll down to the attorney information and click the plus sign.



Search by entering the attorney name or firm name and clicking the Search button.

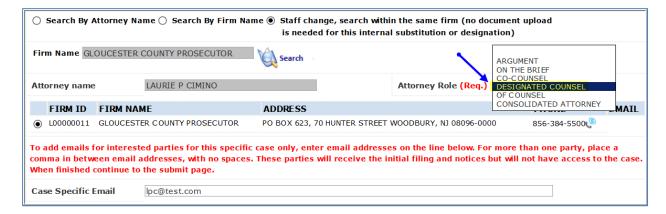


Double click on the Attorney's name.



Confirm the attorney information and select the Attorney Role from the dropdown menu. If the attorney is not registered with eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) or has not updated their email in their profile, you are required to enter their email address in the case specific email field.

To add a second designated counsel or co-counsel click the + button. Click Continue when complete.



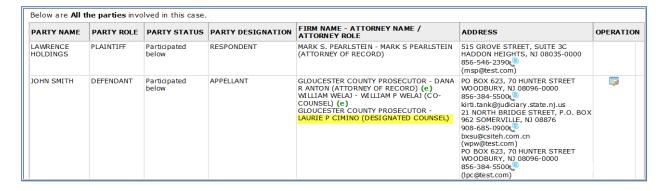
Consolidated Attorney

For attorneys involved in a consolidated case, the consolidated attorney option has been added to the Attorney Role drop down menu.



Review the Filing

Review the new attorney information on the List of Party page in this filing.

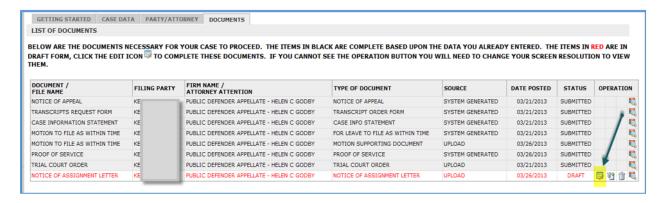


Upload Assignment Letter

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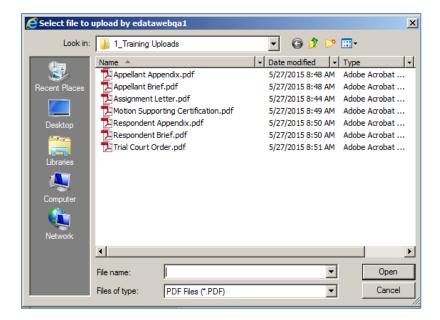
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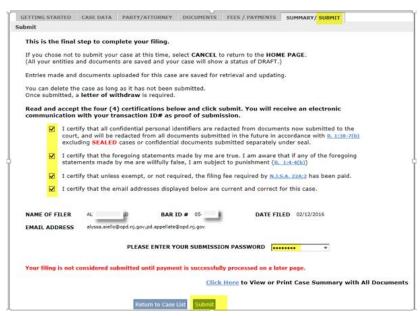
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Substitution of Attorney

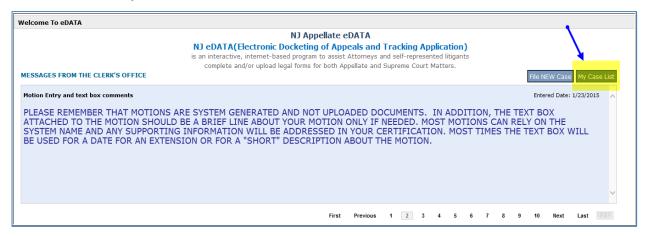
A substitution of attorney removes you as the attorney of record. You will no longer get notices and only have access to prior information that you created in eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA). To remain involved in an appeal, but have another attorney take over as attorney of record; use the designated counsel filing.

A substitution can be filed by either the withdrawing attorney OR the substitution attorney. If the substitution is within the same firm, supporting documentation does not have to be uploaded.

Filed by Withdrawing Attorney

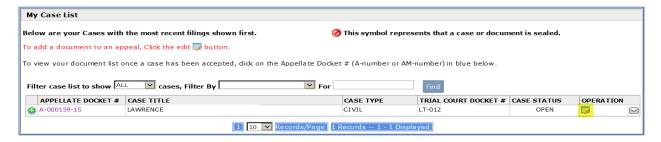
Log in to eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA)

Click on My Case List button.



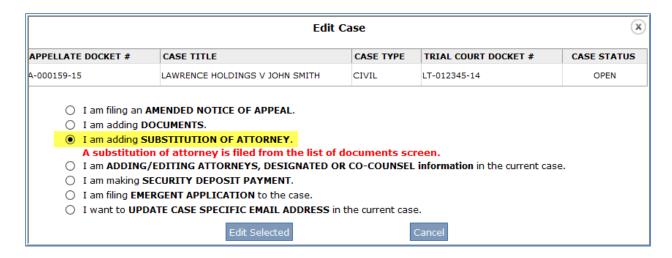
Select Case to Edit

Click on Edit button by the case for which you want to file the substitution.

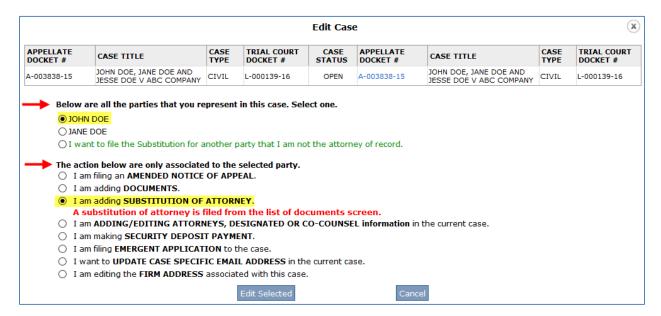


Select Filing Type

Select the radio button I am adding SUBSTITUTION OF ATTORNEY. Click Edit Selected.

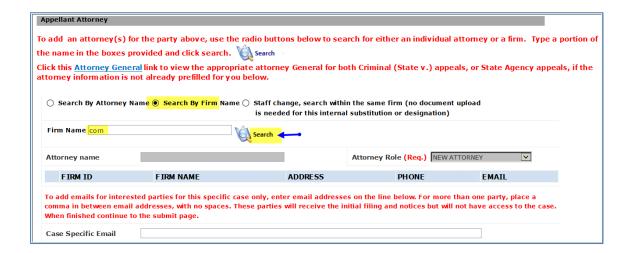


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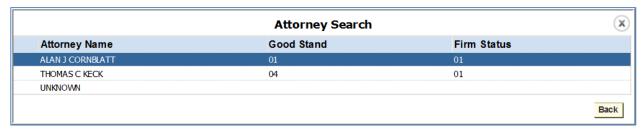


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Search by entering the attorney name or firm name and clicking the Search button.



If searching by firm, double click the firm name then double click the attorney name from list of attorneys.



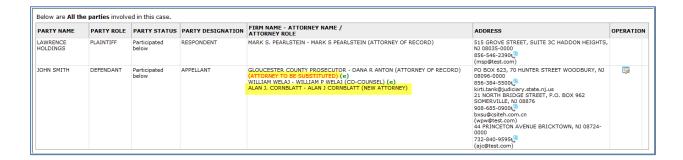
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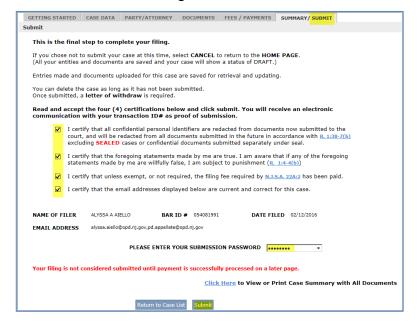
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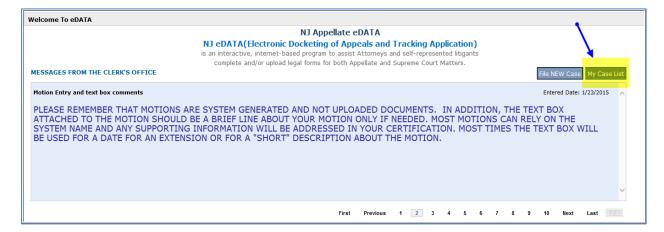
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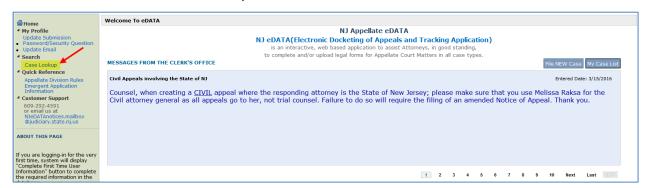
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Case Lookup Search

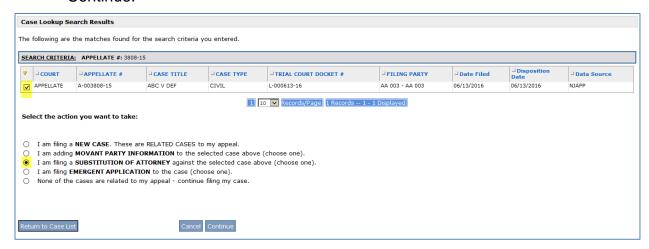
Click on the Case Lookup link from the menu on the left.



Enter the Appellate docket # and click Search.



Check the box for the applicable Appellate docket # then click the radio button for I am filing a Substitution of Attorney against the selected case above. Click Continue.

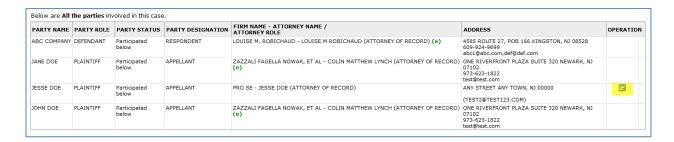


If you are currently representing other parties in the case and are filing a Substitution for another party that you are not the attorney of record, select the radio button I want to file the Substitution for another party that I am not the attorney of record. Click Edit Selected.

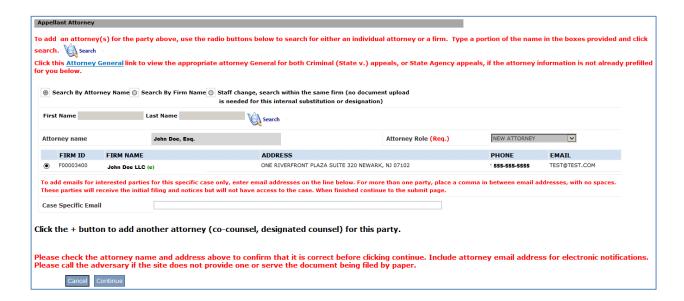


Edit Party

In the List of Parties edit your client by clicking on the edit 🤛 button.



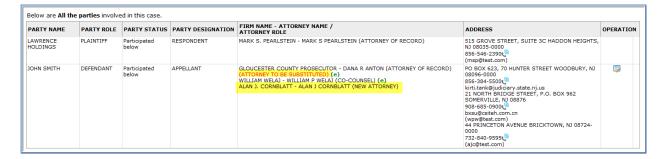
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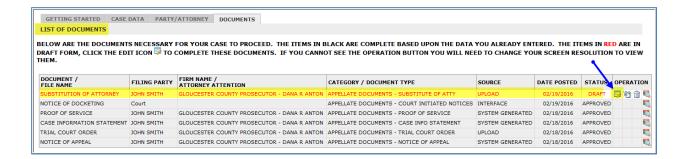


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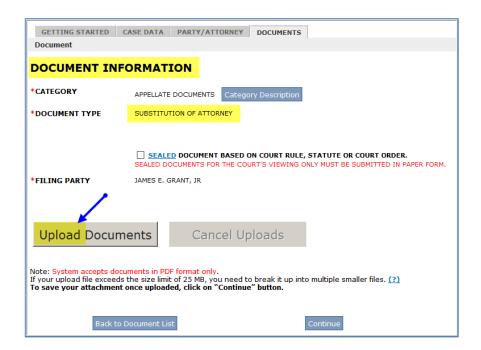
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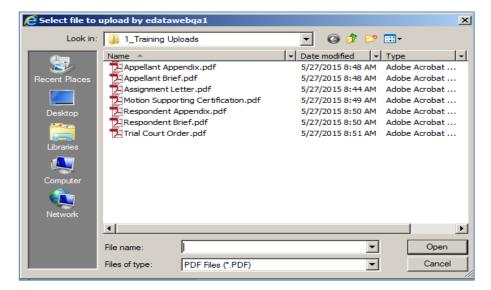
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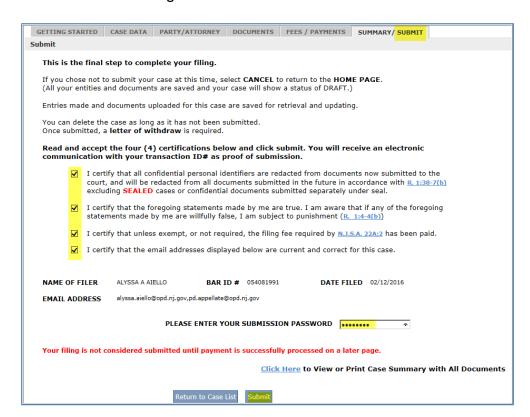
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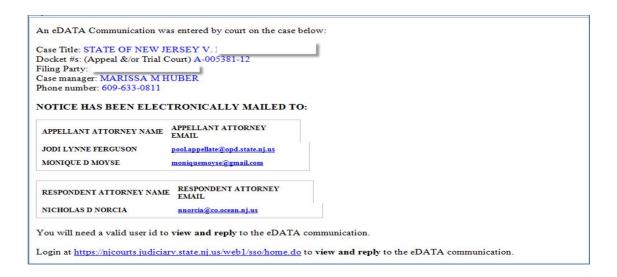
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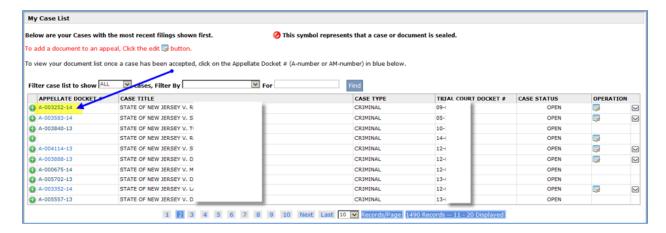
eCourts Appellate (NJ eDATA) Communications

Receiving communications

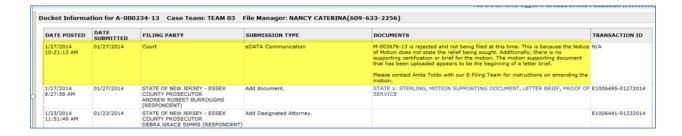
You will receive an email notification that a communication has been sent by either the Court or your adversary. To review the entire message, you will need to log in to the system.



On the case list page click on the docket number link to open the Docket Information page to view the list of documents.



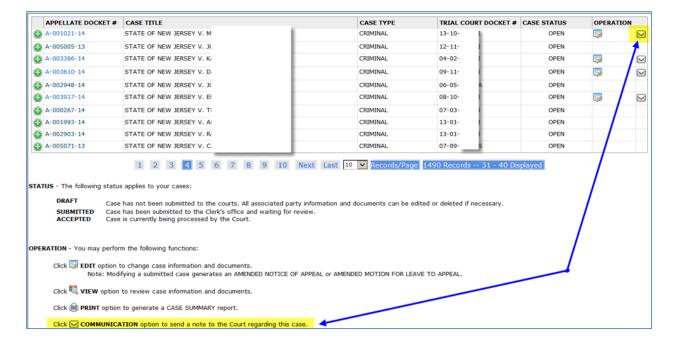
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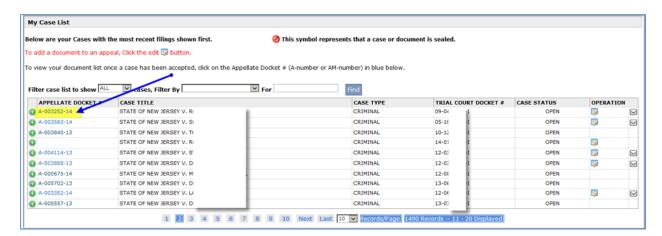
Returning eDATA Communications

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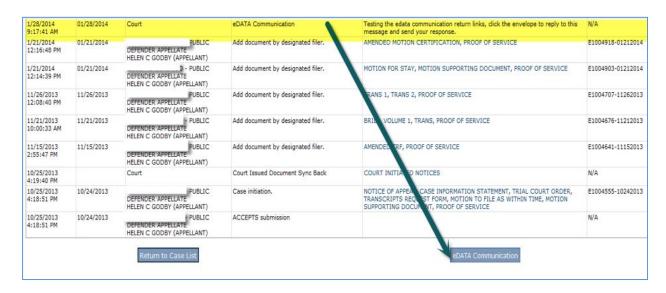
1. Click on the envelope on your case list; OR



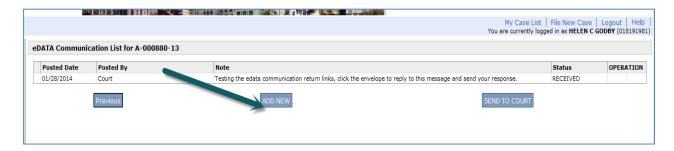
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Read the communication from the court and then click the eDATA COMMUNICATION button.

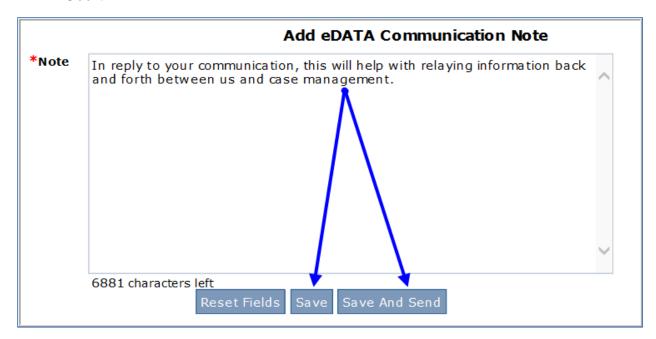


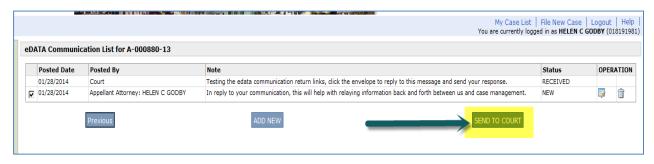
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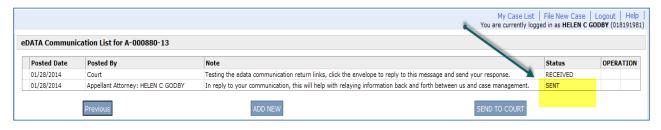
Enter your message and click either Save and Send if you are done or click Save if you want to send the communication later.

If you click Save, you are returned to the eDATA Communication list. When you are ready to send the communication, select your comment and Click Send to Court.





Once sent, the status will be displayed.



Attorneys associated with multiple firm/businesses address

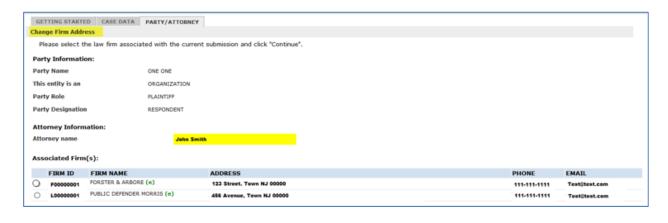
If an attorney is associated to multiple firms, a list of the firms will display on the List of Parties page and a firm selection will be required in order to proceed with the filing.



<u>Note:</u> If the filing was submitted with the incorrect firm for the attorney, only the attorney with the multiple associations can make the correction in the system. The attorney will have to log in and from the Edit Case popup, **select I am editing the Firm Address associated with this case**.



On the next screen, select the firm that should be associated to the case.



Modifying Case Specific Email

To edit the case specific email originally entered, select "I want to update case specific email address in the current case." from the Edit Case popup options.

